[9th August 1966

Gratuity rules

* 253 *Q.*—SRI V. SANKARAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to amend the gratuity rules for the State Government servants, to be in conformity with those applicable to the Union Government servants; and

(*b*) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) The matter is under the consideration of the Government.

(*b*) Does not arise.

திரு. வை. சங்கரன் : இப்போதுள்ள நிலையில் மத்திய அரசாங்க உத்தியோகஸ்தர்களுக்குள்ள க்ராச்யூட்டி ரூல்ஸுக்கும் நம் சர்க்கார் உத்தியோகஸ்தர்களுக்குள்ள க்ராச்யூட்டி ரூல்ஸுக்கும் என்னென்ன வேறுபாடுகள் இருக்கின்றன ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The maximum ceiling fixed by the Government of India for payment of gratuity is Rs. 10.000 or 12 months' pay whichever is less. But. this is restricted for the State Government employees to Rs. 2,400 or 12 months' pay whichever is less.

Tagore Centenary Memorial Theatre

* 254 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : SRI SAW GANESAN : SRI A. K. SUBBIAH : SRI K. A. MATHIALAGAN : } Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the construction of Tagore Centenary Memorial Theatre at Madras was commenced;

(*b*) the present stage of construction;

(*c*) the total amount of expenditure incurred so far in respect of the construction;

(*d*) the extent of Central assistance obtained so far ; and

(*e*) the particulars of the estimate of the Theatre?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) In March 1961.

(*b*) Pile foundations for the Auditorium block as well as the Stage block have been completed and the construction of the dressing block has been completed.

(*c*) Rs. 6·02 lakhs.

(*d*) Rs. 2·5 lakhs.